

Remarks:

1. Applicants have amended a number of the paragraphs of the specification to correct grammatical errors.
2. The Abstract has been amended per the Examiner's recommendation.
3. The specification has been amended to remove the last sentence in light of the Examiner's objection.
4. Claims 10-15 have been amended to overcome the Examiner's objections.
5. Claims 1-9, 16, 17 and 19 are rejected under 35 U.S.C. 102(a) or 102(e) as being anticipated by Vogel et al. (6,578,416).
 - a. Claims 1-9, 16 and 17 have been canceled.
 - b. Claim 19 has been amended to depend from claim 18 (see below).
6. Claims 10-15 and 18 are objected to as being dependent upon a rejected base claim, but would be allowable if rewritten in independent form including all of the limitations of the base claim and any intervening claims.
 - a. The limitations of claim 1 have been added to claim 10. Claim 10 should now be in condition for allowance.
 - b. Claim 11 depends from claim 10 and should now be in condition for allowance.
 - c. Claim 12 depends from claim 11 and should now be in condition for allowance.
 - d. Claim 13 depends from claim 11 and should now be in condition for allowance.
 - e. Claim 14 depends from claim 10 and should now be in condition for allowance.
 - f. Claim 15 depends from claim 14 and should now be in condition for allowance.

- g. Claim 18 has been amended to include all of the limitations of canceled claim 1 and should now be in condition for allowance.
- h. Claim 19 has been amended to depend from claim 18. It should now be in condition for allowance
- i. New claim 20 has been written to depend from claim 10. It should be in condition for allowance.

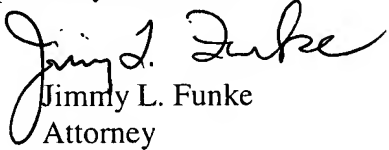
Applicants appreciate the Examiner's thorough examination of the instant application.

Applicants believe that the application is now in condition for allowance and look forward to a timely Notice of Allowance.

Although no fees are believed due, the Commissioner is authorized to charge our Deposit

Account No. 50-0831 for any fees or credit the account for any overpayment.

Respectfully submitted,

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